

Attorney Docket No.: A-58762-9/RFT/RMS/RMK

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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MEADE, et al.
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Serial No.: 09/306,749
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Filed: May 7, 1999
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For: NUCLEIC ACID MEDIATED
ELECTRON TRANSFER
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Examiner: ZITOMER, S.

Group Art Unit: 1655

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## **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2000. The response is accompanied by a petition for a two month extension of time and the required fee, making this a timely response.

## REMARKS

Claims 12-25 are pending. An Appendix of Pending Claims is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

As a preliminary matter, applicants enclose 8 sheets of formal drawings to comply with PTO form 948.